

Dear Jim,

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The self-destructs ride again! But without a Harold Rome to put it to music. I don't know of any other Harold who wants to, either.

My letter to Bud is attached. With a clip I have the note from the fine young woman who sent this and a previous tape in which Morrow and Lane were both on that show and several clips she sent. They will not copy well on my machine. No rush on getting them back if you want copies.

This is a young woman just out of college, from a working-class ~~background~~ family. She can understand and after all these years the Buds and the Lanes of the country can't or don't want to?

Unfortunately it may be necessary to do something now. So I've spoken to Lon, who will see if he can locate Morrow and if he is still alive, General Cabell. He knew the Cabells. Their considerable wealth comes from the stories that were merged into the 7-11 stores. (I thought the General was dead. We agreed that the brother is.)

Lon also has an MI-6 friend who was looking for Morrow a while back. He'll check with him. Lon's hunch is that Morrow has another contract. The alternative I see, not for him alone, is that white-jacketed attendants should be looking for him.

I made a few notes while listening to the tape and Morrow's proper modesty as the good ladies cooed and aaahed but other than the few references in my letter to Bud I see no point in wasting time copying them. Miserably sick stuff. But his identification with the committee, his several times forgetting and referring to himself as staff and finally being explicit about a consultancy does fairly represent his self-representation.

If as I suspect it does this is the real Downing there is no need for the counterfeits to stand up.

Bud made no mention of Morrow. I then had no reason to.

I've had several interruptions. The last was a call from Les. He has written Burke, Fauntroy and Stokes. He spoke very briefly with Fauntroy at the weekend conference. It turns out that there has been advance publicity on the Gregory-Lane operation, in Jet. So he has also written Johnson, owner. He had had several long sessions with Gregory over the Byron Watson crap. But it is already explicit in Jet that this King material is all the result of their personal investigations.

It is all so sick the corruption looks clean.

Best,